

UX Research & Design

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## **Education**

**University of Michigan, School of Information** / MS Information, UX specialization, 2019 (3.955 GPA) **Wayne State University** / PhD English, 2012 (4.0 GPA) **Washington University in St. Louis** / BS Architecture, cum laude, 2003 (3.35 GPA)

# **Experience**

ProQuest / UX Fellow

Sep 2017 - Aug 2019, Ann Arbor, MI

- Improved workflows, establish performance benchmarks, and supported business requirements for corporate and academic products using qualitative and quantitative methods
- Developed affinity maps, personas, and journey maps and redesigned products–sketches, wireframes, prototypes–based on user feedback using Axure, Sketch, and InVision
- Audited products for accessibility to align with WCAG guidelines and created remediation documents

## **University of Michigan Library** / Accessibility Intern

Jan 2019 - Apr 2019, Ann Arbor, MI

- Enhanced accessibility in librarians' evaluations of electronic resources using qualitative research methods interviews, affinity walls, and co-design activities
- Successfully scoped the project timeline, created visualizations using Lucidchart, and provided process improvement recommendations

## **Ann Arbor District Library** / UX Consultant

May 2018 - Aug 2018, Ann Arbor, MI

- Designed and tested customizable notifications workflows using Sketch that aligned with the look and feel
  of the library's newly refreshed website
- Demonstrated successful designs with usability tests running on Maze showed that more than 75% of the 200+ users were able to successfully navigate the new designs and complete the usability tasks

#### Wiley College / Department Chair, English

Aug 2012 - Jul 2015, Marshall, TX

 Managed 9 faculty members, redesigned the department's curriculum to reflect best practices, and cocreated the first conference of its kind at an HBCU in response to student interest

#### **US Peace Corps** / Peace Corps Volunteer

Jun 2003 - Jul 2004, Jamaica

Performed a community needs assessment and started a local Habit for Humanity chapter

## **Publications & Presentations**

- "Situated Access: Implications of Removing the User from Accessibility Evaluations"
   16th Annual Conference in Citizenship Studies: Technology & Citizenship, March 2019
- Flickering Cities: Multimedia City Fabrics and the Changing Nature of Citizenship Dissertation, 2012
- "Talking to Yourself: Garfield Minus Garfield as an Introduction to Techno-Companionship" Reconstruction: Studies in Contemporary Culture 11.4 (January 2012)

## Skills

**Design -** Agile, Sketching, Journey Mapping, Personas, Scenarios, Wireframing, Rapid Prototyping **Research -** Accessibility Design, Contextual Inquiry, Interviews, Task Analysis, Usability Testing, WCAG & §508 **Software -** Adobe Creative Suite, Axure, CSS, Figma, HTML, Illustrator, InVision, NVDA, Sketch, Wave